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Hongkong, December 29, 1892. 2283

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Reserve Fund.....\$3,300,000.  
Reserve Liability.....\$10,000,000.  
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For 6 months 3½ per cent. per annum.

For 12 months 4 per cent. per annum.

For 18 months 4½ per cent. per annum.

For 24 months 5 per cent. per annum.

For 30 months 5½ per cent. per annum.

For 36 months 6 per cent. per annum.

For 42 months 6½ per cent. per annum.

For 48 months 7 per cent. per annum.

For 54 months 7½ per cent. per annum.

For 60 months 8 per cent. per annum.

For 66 months 8½ per cent. per annum.

For 72 months 9 per cent. per annum.

For 78 months 9½ per cent. per annum.

For 84 months 10 per cent. per annum.

For 90 months 10½ per cent. per annum.

For 96 months 11 per cent. per annum.

For 102 months 11½ per cent. per annum.

For 108 months 12 per cent. per annum.

For 114 months 12½ per cent. per annum.

For 120 months 13 per cent. per annum.

For 126 months 13½ per cent. per annum.

For 132 months 14 per cent. per annum.

For 138 months 14½ per cent. per annum.

For 144 months 15 per cent. per annum.

For 150 months 15½ per cent. per annum.

For 156 months 16 per cent. per annum.

For 162 months 16½ per cent. per annum.

For 168 months 17 per cent. per annum.

For 174 months 17½ per cent. per annum.

For 180 months 18 per cent. per annum.

For 186 months 18½ per cent. per annum.

For 192 months 19 per cent. per annum.

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For 216 months 21 per cent. per annum.

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For 276 months 26 per cent. per annum.

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For 300 months 28 per cent. per annum.

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For 396 months 36 per cent. per annum.

For 402 months 36½ per cent. per annum.

For 408 months 37 per cent. per annum.

For 414 months 37½ per cent. per annum.

For 420 months 38 per cent. per annum.

For 426 months 38½ per cent. per annum.

For 432 months 39 per cent. per annum.

For 438 months 39½ per cent. per annum.

For 444 months 40 per cent. per annum.

For 450 months 40½ per cent. per annum.

For 456 months 41 per cent. per annum.

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For 552 months 49 per cent. per annum.

For 558 months 49½ per cent. per annum.

For 564 months 50 per cent. per annum.

For 570 months 50½ per cent. per annum.

For 576 months 51 per cent. per annum.

For 582 months 51½ per cent. per annum.

For 588 months 52 per cent. per annum.

For 594 months 52½ per cent. per annum.

For 600 months 53 per cent. per annum.

For 606 months 53½ per cent. per annum.

For 612 months 54 per cent. per annum.

For 618 months 54½ per cent. per annum.

For 624 months 55 per cent. per annum.

For 630 months 55½ per cent. per annum.

For 636 months 56 per cent. per annum.

For 642 months 56½ per cent. per annum.

For 648 months 57 per cent. per annum.

For 654 months 57½ per cent. per annum.

For 660 months 58 per cent. per annum.

For 666 months 58½ per cent. per annum.

For 672 months 59 per cent. per annum.

For 678 months 59½ per cent. per annum.

For 684 months 60 per cent. per annum.

For 690 months 60½ per cent. per annum.

For 696 months 61 per cent. per annum.

For 702 months 61½ per cent. per annum.

For 708 months 62 per cent. per annum.

For 714 months 62½ per cent. per

## Mails.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1892.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Finishes..... Friday December 30, Victoria..... Thursday January 26.

Ticomas..... Thursday February 23.

A Scream..... Thursday March 23.

AND THEREAFTER THE PERMANENT SAILINGS OF THE COMPANY'S REGULAR STEAMERS.

THE Steamship FLINTSHIRE, Capt. Dwyer, sailing on Nov. 20.

TOMORROW, 30th December, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Conular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of The General Agent Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office with address marked in full by 8 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1892. 2133

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, via OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. City of Peking..... Saturday, Dec. 31. China..... Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1893. Peru..... Saturday, Jan. 24/93.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, 31st December, at 1 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimalt, New Westminster, Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Port-Land, O. .... \$225.00

To Liverpool and London .... \$325.00

To Paris and Brussels .... \$345.00

To Paris and Hamburg .... \$355.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND CITIES, FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION. 30 day Tickets. Contingent tickets.

Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb. .... 285.00

St. Louis, Mo. .... 292.50

St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn. .... 292.90

Chicago, Ill. .... 297.50

Milwaukee, Wis. .... 299.50

Cincinnati, Ohio. .... 302.30

Columbus, Ohio. .... 304.25

Detroit, Mich. .... 304.95

Cleveland, Ohio. .... 306.55

Toronto, Canada. .... 309.95

Pittsburgh, Penn. .... 310.25

Niagara Falls, N.Y., Bufalo, N.Y., Balti-

more, Md. .... 311.75

Montreal, Canada. .... 319.75

Philadelphia, Penn. .... 319.75

New York. .... 319.75

Boston, Mass. .... 321.15

Portland, Maine. .... 327.25

All the above Rates are in Mexican Dollars.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Return Tickets—First Class—Prepaid return tickets to San Francisco will be issued following rates:—

4 months ..... \$337.50

12 months ..... \$393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers, who will have paid full fare, re-embark at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10% from Return Fare. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama, and other Japanese Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Indian Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Bills will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Fares and Parcels will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Conular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 12, Queen's Road Central, J. B. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, December 10, 1892. 2158

## BALL PROGRAMMES FOR SALE.

IN NEW SHADeS AND PATTERNS.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE,

5, WYNDHAM STREET.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor

Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or

Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

CHURCHILL, British barque, Capt. W. Bulard, Steamer and Co.

## Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

SATURDAY, 31st December.

THE SONS OF NEPTUNE

(Officers &amp; Men or H. M. Fleet),

in the Original, Sparkling and Novel

Nautical Entertainment,

entitled

THE VOYAGE OF H.M.S.

"ALBACORE,"

(in two acts),

giving a graphic and realistic description of

everyday life on board a man-o'-war,

including

DANCES, TOPICAL, NAUTICAL and COMIC

SONGS, with a CHORUS of over 70

STRONG.

As performed over 70 times with immense

success at the Royal Naval Exhibition

1891, and before the Royal Family and

several of the Crowned Heads of

Europe.

Under the special patronage of H.R.H.

THE PRINCESS OF WALES.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel

RAVENHILL and the Officers of the

Shropshire Light Infantry their

Band will perform during the

evening.

The Performance is given under the

distinguished patronage of

His Excellency Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON,

K.C.B., Vice-Admiral the Honourable Sir EDWARD

R. FERMINTE, K.C.B., M.C.G.;

Major-General G. DIBBY BAKER, C.B.;

Commander-in-Chief H. B. PALMISSE, R.N.

N.B.—Proceeds will be handed to

local charities.

Price of Stalls:—

Dress Circle and Stalls. .... \$2.00

Pit. .... 1.00

Soldiers, Sailors and Police (in uniform) half price.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m.

Performances at 9 p.m. precisely.

SPECIAL TRAMS 15 minutes after

Performance.

Tickets may be obtained at Messrs. LANE,

CARRINGTON &amp; CO., where a Plan of the

Theatre may be seen. Books of words (20

Cents each) may be had from Messrs.

NOHON &amp; CO.

Hongkong, December 29, 1892. 2251

## Intimations.

## PEAK HOTEL

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND

THIS Commodious and Well Appointed

THREE STORY HOTEL, situated at a height of 2,950

feet above sea-level, having been leased by

the Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL,"

NOW OPEN and will run in conjunction

with their Hotel in Queen's Road, thus

enabling them to offer special inducements

to Visitors and Residents.

## SPECIAL WINTER RATES.

The Rates for Board and Lodging during

the WINTER MONTHS, from 1st November to

31st March, have been REDUCED as

follows:—

One person, one day ... .... \$2.50

Married couple, do. .... 3.50

One person, one month .... 50.00

Married couple, do. .... 85.00

For Full Particulars apply to

VICTORIA HOTEL

Hongkong, October 25, 1892. 1873

## SINGING AND PIANO.

SIGNOR CATTANEO, having returned

from Europe, has pleasure in informing

the Community, that he will be in

position to RESUME TEACHING in a few

days.

Apply to

MESSRS. KELLY &amp; WALSH.

Hongkong, December 6, 1892. 2138

DR. ESENSEE'S

## WONDERFUL RING.

GOOD morning, Gentlemen? Do you

wish to prevent premature death from

diseases, then ask at once for ESENSEE'S

WONDERFUL RING? (See our Column, Gold

Asthma, Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Consumption,

within a short period, and rapidly cuts

short all attacks of Epilepsy, Sciatica, Colic,

Pulmonitis, Hydrocephalus, and it keeps

the heart in full action by putting it

only on the finger of the left hand. I can

only on the finger of the left hand, as a means of preserving

and restoring health it is unequalled, as it

has been used by several European Ladies

and Gentlemen with great success, for

which I hold several unsolicited testi-

monials. It is the most wonderful dis-

covery of the day. I have no hesitation in

stating before the public that all house-

holds should not be without it; and its

price is also very little, only 18

including packing and postage, &amp;c.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWINE.

Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1892. 2262

## FOUR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Steamship

YOKOHAMA, Capt. WATSON, will be

Breaking two bottles of gin on board the steamer *Salmon* at the Kowloon Wharves on 28th last, a Chinaman was fined to-day, by Mr. Wodehouse, with the alternative of six weeks' imprisonment.

Tom D'Addario, who was brought from Mauritius, on a charge of obtaining possession fraudulently from the Post Office officials in February of a parcel of precious stones for Leon Prato, dentist, was again remanded by Mr. Wodehouse to-day to allow further evidence to be led.

A MARRIAGE PARADE OF CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS AND BOOKLETS FROM MEARS RAPHAEL TUCK AND SONS HAS JUST COME TO HAND TOO LATE FOR US TO COMMAND THEM TO INTEREST PURCHASERS FOR THIS CHRISTMAS AND CERTAINLY TOO EARLY FOR INTEREST PURCHASERS ELEVEN MONTHS HENCE. THIS MAY WELL BE CALLED "THE GOLDEN AGE OF CHRISTMAS CARDS," FOR THE PRETTY CUSTOM OF SENDING TO FRIENDS AND RELATIVES THESE PLEASANT FORMS OF CONGRATULATION AND GOOD WISHES HAS GROWN STEADILY DURING RECENT YEARS. IT IS SAFE TO SAY THAT THIS FIRST HAS CONTRIBUTED MORE TO DEVELOP THIS CUSTOM THAN THE FIRM OF RAPHAEL TUCK AND SONS, WHOSE ORIGINAL, CHARMING, AND ARTISTIC DESIGNS, COUPLED WITH UNEXPLICABLE COLOURING AND BEAUTY OF WORKMANSHIP, HAVE EARNED FOR THEM A WORLD-WIDE FAME AND POPULARITY. THE SPECIMENS THAT HAVE REACHED US FULLY ASSURE THE REPUTATION OF THE FIRM. THESE AUTOGRAF CARDS ARE A SPECIAL NOVELTY AND SHOULD BE SEEN BY ALL WHO DESIRE THE NEWEST DESIGNS, WHILE THEIR HAND-PAINTED COLLECTION SHOWS WHAT CARE THE FIRM HAVE SPENT ON THEIR ARTISTS AND DESIGNERS. THE ART GIFT BOOKS, SUITABLE FOR ANY SEASON, CONSPRIATIONS OF THE FINEST ARTISTS WORK WE HAVE SEEN. WE CAN READILY ENDORSE THE OPINION EXPRESSED BY A HOME PAPER TO THE FOLLOWING EFFECT:—"VERY BEAUTIFUL MANY OF THEM ARE WITH THEIR CAMEO WORK, THEIR JEWELLING AND ENGRAVING, AND THEIR CUT-OUT TOILETTE, AND THE Dainty VERSES AND SONGS ARE FOR THE MOST PART WORTHY THE ELABORATE SETTINGS THEY HAVE RECEIVED." FIRMS WISHING TO PRESENT THEIR CUSTOMERS WITH SOMETHING WORTH KEEPING ON THEIR WRITING DESKS SHOULD NOT FAIL TO SEE SOME SAMPLES OF MEARS RAPHAEL TUCK AND CO.'S ART GIFT CALENDARS; THEY ARE SUITABLE FOR ALL FORMS OF BUSINESS AND FOR ALL CLIMES.

Today the attention of Captain Hastings was engrossed in hearing evidence in a complicated case of alleged embezzlement. Lo Kwei alias Lo Chi Ming, doctor, and Lo Kong alias Cabane, grocer, were charged at the instance of Chau Yung Chun, accountant, with conspiring on or about 12th December last, to embezzle the sum of \$31,500, the monies of the On Wing Bank, 97 Nathan Strand. Mr. J. Francis, Q.C., instructed by Mr. Wotton, conducted the prosecution, and Mr. C. D. Wilkinson appeared on behalf of the defendants. Lo Eleg, the accountant of the Tung Tai Bank, 161 Queen's Road Central, from which it is alleged the money was withdrawn by the first defendant on account of the On Wing Bank in which he (first defendant) was the chief accountant, occupied the witness box for the greater part of the day. On 12th December the On Wing Bank had \$100,000 deposited with the Tung Tai Bank, and on that day first defendant gave notice that he wished to withdraw the money. In consequence of this notice several sums of money, amounting in all to \$37,500, were handed over to him. From information received he suspected the first defendant, and had him arrested on 21st December. After hearing other witnesses his Honor adjourned the case.

The Kinkiang correspondent of the "Standard" Mercury wrote under date December 11:—The presentation of a beautiful electro-plated centrepiece and four Canton teak-wood tea-sets was made to Dr. Underwood, the Medical Officer of the port, by the members of the in-door and out-door staff of the Imperial Maritime Customs Service, as a mark of the high appreciation which they have for him. The presentation took place in the Customs Library to-day, a large number of the Foreign residents being present. Mr. Deighton Dymster in a few well-chosen words made his presentation and wished the bride and bridegroom much happiness. Dr. Underwood replied, in a few appropriate words, and thanked the members for their kind gift, which he should ever look upon as a monument of their kindness. The centrepiece is a most exquisite work of art, being richly chased, and bears on the base the following inscription:—Presented to Dr. George R. Underwood, as a mark of esteem and respect by the members of the Customs staff at Kinkiang, on his marriage; 16th November 1892. Here follow the names of the subscribers. Three cheers and a "tiger" were given for the worthy Doctor and his bride, after which the company separated.

We have had an unusually heavy fall of snow for this time of the year (wrote the Standard Mercury's Chief Correspondent of December 16), and for several days all inland traffic was completely stopped. The good work of road-making, so vigorously undertaken by the military officials we also checked, but we hope they will resume their beneficent task next spring, and carry it on to completion. There is every prospect of a severe winter before us, and the Natives, the majority of whom are miserably poor, must suffer immensely. The long season of drought last summer protracted the full growth of the bean crop, and the millet crop, which is used as food, was natteredly ruined. There are in great numbers of fallen trees and branches, and the cattle at all losses, because they cannot afford to feed them through the six months which must elapse before the next crop is available. The Tsin-tzu's "soop kitchen" is a valuable institution, and helps many poor wretches to keep body and soul together through the long dreary winter, but it unfortunately draws great crowds of the undeserving poor from distant parts. Many of these remain here, to swell the ever-increasing multitude of poverty-stricken creatures who constitute the greater part of the population of Chinkiang.

As many residents here have lately been hailing for the origin of the pirates "like oil on troubled water," we append an explanation from The Queen of 12th Nov. In reply to a correspondent, that journal says:—The phrase or simile is no quotation, but a saying founded on fact, and known from ancient times among all seafarers. This may or may not satisfy the longings of those who are sure they have seen the quotation somewhere.

AN AUCTIONEER AND HIS LICENCE. To-day at the Magistracy before Mr. Wodehouse, Mr. A. G. Gordon, merchant, Praha Central, was charged with acting as an auctioneer on 25th November last with out having an auctioneer's licence. Li Sing Sui, clerk in Treasury, stated that the defendant had been the holder of the additional licence till 21st last, when he was allowed to expire, and on 10th October witness wrote defendant reminding him that he had not renewed his licence. No reply was made. On 23rd October witness drew the attention of the Colonial Treasurer to the fact that an auction was to take place on 26th November, whereupon the Colonial Treasurer wrote to the Captain-Superintendent of Police.

Detective-Sergeant Laddie said that towards the end of October, in consequence of instructions received from the Captain-Superintendent of Police he went to the defendant's office. The defendant was not present. The witness told defendant's clerk that he had not renewed his licence. The defendant again, through his clerk, in November and personally later in the month, defendant said he was very sorry and he told witness that he had written to the Treasury. That was in November. Witness said "all right and thought no more about the affair. Two days ago he was instructed to take out a summons against defendant.

Li Sing Sui (recalled) stated that no letter was received at the Treasury from the defendant.

Mr. F. J. W. Jorge, of the firm of Shewan and Co., stated that on 25th November at 11 o'clock the defendant set up an auction of his goods in the rear godown or the "Yip." There were no bids and the lot was withdrawn. They were consigned to witness's firm, and it was at their request that the defendant put the potatoe up to auction. He conducted the auction which was first advertised by express.

Defendant stated that he did not know it was doing wrong. He intended to renew his licence, and had made application to do so. Filed 25.

SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before His Honour Mr. Fielding Clarke, Chief Justice.) Thursday, December 29.

THE ACTION AGAINST A COMPTREASOR. Up to his Lordship taking his seat on the bench to-day, Mr. E. Robinson intimated that a settlement had been come to in the suit Meyerlein and another against Tam Li Tai and another, their co-plaintiffs and co-defendants, for a sum of \$2000, in which part of the defendant was led to believe he had agreed to pay \$3000.

Mr. Phillippe stated he appeared for Mr. Meyerlein and another for the plaintiff, who had to be in another place. The terms of the settlement were—judgment by consent against both defendants for \$3000, with interest from 14th May, 1892, at 10 per cent, and to have taxation of costs of \$500 had been agreed upon.

His Lordship—I think you have taken the proper course, Mr. Robinson, in advising your client to this effect. The case was as absolutely clear as any case could be, and it was certainly in the interests of your client to adopt this course not only in this case but possibly in another direction in this Court.

IN BANKRUPTCY. (Before His Honour Mr. Fielding Clarke, Chief Justice.) Thursday, December 29.

IN CHIN HUAI. Mr. Denney, on behalf of Ouan Kim Fai, applied for order of adjudication in this bankruptcy. The applicant is a banker in the Wing Tung Yang bank in which the wing wood tea-sets were made to Dr. Underwood, the Medical Officer of the port, by the members of the in-door and out-door staff of the Imperial Maritime Customs Service, as a mark of the high appreciation which they have for him. The presentation took place in the Customs Library to-day, a large number of the Foreign residents being present. Mr. Deighton Dymster in a few well-chosen words made his presentation and wished the bride and bridegroom much happiness. Dr. Underwood replied, in a few appropriate words, and thanked the members for their kind gift, which he should ever look upon as a monument of their kindness. The centrepiece is a most exquisite work of art, being richly chased, and bears on the base the following inscription:—Presented to Dr. George R. Underwood, as a mark of esteem and respect by the members of the Customs staff at Kinkiang, on his marriage; 16th November 1892. Here follow the names of the subscribers. Three cheers and a "tiger" were given for the worthy Doctor and his bride, after which the company separated.

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